

May 20, 2010 version

TOWN BOARD AGENDA
MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HARRISON,
TO BE HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING,
1 HEINEMAN PLACE, HARRISON, NY., IN WESTCHESTER COUNTY,
ON MAY 20, 2010 AT 7:30 PM,
EASTERN DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

PRESENTATION OF THE 2010 MAYOR'S CHOICE AWARDS

Sara Crozier 8th Grade Student at the LMK School
Sophia Golec 11th Grade Student at the School of the Holy Child
Mary Mallard 11th Grade Student at the School of the Holy Child
Allie Fuller 10th Grade Student at the Harrison High School

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SUPERVISOR JOAN B. WALSH OF THE AWARDS GIVEN
TO THE FOLLOWING HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS,
ALEJANDRO AZUAJE AND ROBERT J. SUHRE,
BY ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL
AUXILIARY BOARD FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING SERVICE
TO THE COMMUNITY AS VOLUNTEERS

UPDATE ON THE STATUS OF THE DOG PARK PROJECT
BY TOWN CLERK JOSEPH ACOCCELLA

PRESENTATION BY BEN DEFONCE RE: MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

A. **REPORT FROM SUPERVISOR WALSH ON DECISIONS MADE**
FOLLOWING TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD ON MAY 6, 2010.

1. On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilman Sciliano, with all members voting in favor, it was RESOLVED to postpone Town Board Agenda item RE: the Public Hearing for the MTA Project. The change being the date of the Public Hearing to be decided at a future Meeting.
2. On motion of Councilman Sciliano, seconded by Supervisor Walsh, with all members voting in favor, it was RESOLVED to authorize payment to Town Planner Pat Cleary for preparation of the draft for the zoning amendments for the MTA project.
3. On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilman Sciliano, it was RESOLVED to approve §207-a Disability Benefits to Firefighter Francis M. Tesoro for an injury sustained in the performance of duty.

4. On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella, with all members voting in favor, it was RESOLVED to approve the reassignment of Detective Issa Kharouba to the rank of First Grade Patrol Officer at the annual salary of \$89,986, effective May 5, 2010.

5. On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio, with all members voting in favor, it was RESOLVED to approve the appointment of Kate T. Barnwell to the Planning Board, effective immediately, as successor to Alice AvRutick.

6. On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella, with four members voting in favor and Councilman Vetere voting against, it was RESOLVED to approve Sgt. Michael Olsey to attend Ashford University for the 2010 Spring Semester at a total cost for tuition and books \$3,442 for "Adult Development & Life Assessment and Introduction to Ethics and Social Responsibility."

B. CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS:

1a. Monthly report by the Town Clerk for April 2010.

1b. Monthly report by the Building Inspector for April 2010.

1c. Monthly report by the Commissioner of Public Works for April 2010, together with a chart of complaints/requests for service during the same time period.

1d. Monthly report by the Superintendent of Recreation for April 2010.

2. Notification by Kay Eisenman, Executive Director of the Westchester Municipal Planning Federation congratulating Alice AvRutick on being chosen to receive a Distinguished Citizen Planner Award in the Westchester Municipal Planning Federation's Annual Planning Awards competition. The Award will be presented to Ms. AvRutick at the Federation's Annual Awards Dinner on Thursday, June 10th, at Xavier's X20 Restaurant on the Yonkers Waterfront. Ms. Eisenman also extends an invitation to the Supervisor, Town Board members, friends of Mrs. AvRutick and Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Board members.

C. PUBLIC HEARING:

1. Public Hearing – Request by Attorney John Voetsch, on behalf of his client Alex Donofrio, for a Special Exception Use Permit to build a three (3) story building at 249 Halstead Avenue. The first floor will contain three commercial units and the second and third floor will contain a total of ten residential apartments.

2. Request by Emil Toso for the Board to deny the use of the back lot (on Fremont Street) as an entrance to an underground parking lot of a proposed building at 249 Halstead Avenue, which will have ten (10) apartments and three (3) stores.

D. PERSONNEL:

1. Request by Patrick Galluzzo, Chief of the West Harrison Fire Department for approval for himself, the Assistant Chief and Officers to attend the New York State Fire Chief's Convention at Turning Stone, in upstate New York, from June 9-12th at a cost not to exceed \$6,600. This is a budgeted item.

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ITEM: 2. Request by Chief of Police Anthony Marraccini for approval for P.O. William Duffelmeyer to attend Manhattanville College for the 2010 Summer Semester at a cost \$5,630 for tuition and books for the following courses:

“Individual, Dual and Leisure Sports” and “Team Sports & Coaching”

Further requested that upon satisfactorily completion and submission of P.O. Duffelmeyer’s attendance at the above listed courses, and that, upon submission of proof of payment, the Comptroller be authorized to audit and pay for expenses outlined as per the contract with the HPA.

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ITEM: 3. Request by Chief of the Harrison Fire Department Dino Del Signore for approval for Assistant Chiefs John Maciola, Nick Cusumano and Officers to attend the Hudson Valley Chiefs Convention, in Lake George, NY, from June 17-20, 2010, at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.

E. ACTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

1a. Request by Comptroller Maureen MacKenzie for approval to accept a donation in the amount of \$25 for the Dog Park Project Account #009-615. **Donations to date: \$23,706.**

1b. Request by the Comptroller for approval to accept a donation in the amount of \$225 for the Emilio Scatenato Plaque Account #009-616. **Donations to date: \$4,980.**

2. Request by the Comptroller for approval for the following Budget Modification:

Increase:

001-1411-100-0407 11,382

Archive Grant Special Service

Increase:

001-0000-030-3089 11,382

State Aid-Archive Grant

Monies received from the State for the Archive Grant Project #0580101255.

3a. Request by Attorney John Voetsch that the Board consider amending the zoning for two family houses to permit one unit to have a living space of 500 square feet. The present minimum is 1,200 square feet.

3b. Request by Attorney Voetsch for the Board to make the appropriate study and then rezone Cavert Street, on both sides, Harrison Avenue to Ellsworth Avenue, to a zone which would permit retail space with four story residential apartments above. Mr. Voetsch recommends that a special exception use permit not be necessary, that the Town ease parking requirements and open space requirements so as to make construction of the buildings in question feasible for the property owner.

4. Request by Village Attorney Robert Paladino for approval to accept the Inter-Municipal Agreement with Westchester County for the Mutual Aid and Rapid Response Plan for Police Departments of Westchester County. Further requested to authorize the Supervisor to execute the Agreement.

5. Request by James Ryan, Senior Associate with the firm of John Meyer Consulting, on behalf of his client Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester, to set the date of June 3, 2010 for a Public Hearing RE: A Special Exception Use Permit to construct a proposed Multi-Purpose/Life Center addition with associated off-street parking and landscaping improvements. **(Planning Board approval has been granted)**

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ITEM: 6. Request by Superintendent of Recreation Ron Belmont for the Town Board to consider increasing the Town's Subdivision Fees. Mr. Belmont states that the time has come to adjust this fee closer to current real estate values.

F. OLD BUSINESS:

G. MATTERS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION: